



Brigadier General Stephen J. Hager
Deputy Commanding General
335th Signal Command (Theater)
United States Army Reserves



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Brigadier General Stephen J. Hager is the Army element lead for the Defense Innovation Unit Experimental or DIUx. In his civilian capacity, Brigadier General Hager is a software developer for a technology company in Silicon Valley. His expertise is in embedded systems and data networking.

Brigadier General Hager was commissioned in 1987 as a Signal Corps Officer. As an active duty officer he served as Platoon Leader and Executive Officer for Alpha Company, 742nd Military Intelligence Battalion, 704th Military Intelligence Brigade at Fort Meade, Maryland. During Operation Desert Storm he served as the System Control Officer, S-3, 13th Signal Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division. Upon return, he was assigned to the National Security Agency as a Senior Electrical Engineer in the microelectronics advanced research group. Deployed in Operation Restore Hope, he was assigned as the Communications Officer, CENTCOM J-2 Forward in Mogadishu, Somalia.



Brigadier General Hager left active duty, and joined the Army Reserves in 1995, serving in various positions. While in the 91st Division, his assignments include Battle Command Staff Simulation Officer, Company Commander, Observer Controller, G-2 Security Officer, and G-3 Plans Officer.

Mobilized in 2003, he served as the Liaison Officer for the 91st Division at the 63rd Regional Readiness Command in support of Operation Nobel Eagle/Iraqi Freedom mobilizing Guard and Reserve Units on the west coast. Brigadier General Hager served in the 104th Division as the Task Force Commander for the Division Forward and Forward Support Element at Fort Hunter Liggett. He commanded the 319th Expeditionary Signal Battalion in the 335th Theater Signal Command. He served as the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-6, of the 91st Division and commanded the 2nd Brigade, 100th Division, running the Army Reserves Institutional Training for the Signal Corps.

Mobilized in 2013, he deployed to Afghanistan as the Deputy Commander for the 335th Signal Command (Theater) (Provisional). In Afghanistan, he was responsible for all Architecture, Design, Engineering and Installation of the strategic communication network as well as oversight of communications commercialization projects. Brigadier General Hager most recently deployed to Kuwait as the Chief of Staff for the 335th Signal Command (Theater)(Provisional) in support of Operation Inherent Resolve and Operation Freedom's Sentinel. In March 2015, Brigadier General Hager was selected as the Deputy Commanding General for the 335th Signal Command (Theater) in East Point, Georgia.

His military education includes the Army Signal Officer Basic Course, Advanced Cryptologic Management Course, Signal Officer Advanced Course, Observer/Controller Course, Mobilization Planners Course, The Combined Arms Services Staff School, the Army Command and General Staff College, the Battalion/Brigade Pre-Command Course, and the Army War College.

Brigadier General Hager's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (5 OLC), the Army Commendation Medal (1 OLC), the Army Achievement Medal (2 OLC) and various other campaign and service ribbons. He received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mathematics and a Master's of Science Degree in Engineering Computer Science from Santa Clara University. He also received a Master's of Strategic Studies from the United States Army War College.